

WE CLAIM AS OUR INVENTION:

1. A method for preparation of a resource-based document data stream for output on an output device, comprising the steps of:

providing a document data stream comprising document data associated with an output font;

transferring the document data stream from a first computer to a second computer;

in the course of the document data stream preparation, converting the output font into a target font; and

controlling the converting by at least one font conversion table stored in a resource file.

2. The method according to claim 1 wherein the resource file comprising the font conversion table is transferred from the first computer to the second computer together with the document data stream.

3. The method according to claim 1 wherein the document data stream comprises an Advanced Function Presentation data stream, and whereby the resource file comprises an object container.

4. The method according to claim 3 wherein a selection of the object container occurs via a job corollary file.

5. The method according to claim 1 wherein rastered document data are generated character-by-character and pixel-by-pixel in a rastering process using the target font and the document data.

6. The method according to claim 5 wherein raster matrices are used in the rastering process in which dot patterns of associated characters are stored.

7. The method according to claim 1 wherein document data are generated pixel-by-pixel in a vector-allocation process using the target font and the document data.

8. A document output system for preparation of a resource-based document data stream, comprising:

an output device for output of the document data stream;

a first computer and a second computer, and the document data stream being transferable from the first computer to the second computer;

the document data stream comprising document data associated with an output font; and

at least one font conversion table stored in a resource file for controlling conversion of the output font into a target font.

9. The document output system according to claim 8 wherein a print device is provided as the output device.

10. The document output system according to claim 8 wherein an archiving device is provided as the output device.

11. A computer program product which runs on a computer and which performs at least the steps of:

for preparation of a resource-based document data stream for output on an output device where a document data stream is provided comprising document data associated with an output font

transferring the document data stream from a first computer to a second computer;

in the course of the document data stream preparation, converting the output font into a target font; and

controlling the converting by at least one font conversion table stored in the resource file.

12. A method for preparation of a resource-based document data stream for output on an output device, comprising the steps of:

providing a document data stream comprising document data associated with an output font;

transferring the document data stream from a first computer to a second computer;

in the course of the document data stream preparation, converting the output font into a target font; and

controlling the converting by at least one font conversion table stored in a resource file, the resource file comprising an object container, and the resource file being transferred from the first computer to the second computer together with the document data stream.